

Congestive Heart Failure (CHF) Comments

General Comments from all hospitals

Caritas Good Samaritan Medical Center
Caritas Holy Family Hospital
Caritas Norwood Hospital
Caritas St. Elizabeth's Medical Center
Cooley Dickinson Hospital
HealthAlliance
Lahey Clinic
North Shore Medical Center – Salem Hospital and Union Hospital

Caritas Good Samaritan Medical Center

19/395 cases

Caritas Holy Family Hospital

16/378 cases

Caritas Norwood Hospital

17/386 cases

Caritas St. Elizabeth's Medical Center

10/474 cases

Cooley Dickinson Hospital

The CHF Mortality Rate improved in Fiscal Year 2005 from a risk adjusted rate of 6.57% in FY 2004 to a risk adjusted rate of 3.88% in FY 2005. The FY 2005 rate is comparable to the expected mortality rate for FY 2005.

HealthAlliance

While our risk adjusted mortality rate appears higher than expected, it is important to note that more than 26% of these patients were admitted for comfort care only and no aggressive treatment was desired by the patients or their families.

Lahey Clinic

Mortality rates for heart failure at Lahey Clinic are better than the state average.

North Shore Medical Center – Salem Hospital and Union Hospital

NSMC continually meets or exceeds national and state benchmarks for all components of heart failure.